

07-06-95 THURSDAY, JULY 6, 1995

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY JULY 5, 1995

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 6, 1995

9:30 O'CLOCK A.M.

IN ROOM 381B OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

Present: Supervisors Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky,
Deane Dana, Michael D. Antonovich and Gloria Molina, Chair

Absent: None

07-06-95.1 MORNING SESSION

07-06-95.1.1 2-B

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and

statements relating to the proposed 1995-96 County Budget as follows:

1. Statement of Gilbert Cedillo, SEIU, Local 660, requesting a moratorium on the proposed layoffs and urging the Board to work with Sacramento for solutions to balance the budget.
2. Statement of John Sweeney, President, Service Employees International Union, urging the Board to work with the Federal and State governments for solutions to the County's budget problems and also offering the services of the SEIU to help balance the budget.

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07-06-95.2 MORNING SESSION (Continued)

07-06-95.2.1 2-B (Continued)

3. Statement of Linda Chavez-Thompson, representing American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, who spoke in support of comments by Mr. Cedillo and Mr. Sweeney and requesting a moratorium on layoffs.
4. Statement of Paul Koretz, Mayor Pro Tem, West Hollywood, concerned with life and death problems that will occur if the LAC+USC Medical Center closes and requesting the Board to use whatever revenue raising measures available to maintain County services.
5. Statement of Sam Mistrano, ACLU, objecting to the proposed closure of LAC+USC Medical Center and requesting the Board to work with the communities

to find solutions to balance the budget.

6. Statement of Wilma Cordona, Service Employees International Union, Local 535, regarding the proposed cuts to In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) and requesting the Board not proceed with staffing cuts before the final Budget Deliberations and to maintain current funding for IHSS.
7. Statement of Gail Washington, In-Home Supportive Services Social Worker with the Department of Public Social Services, requesting the Board restore \$13.7 million in the Department of Public Social Services' budget and \$2.1 million in the IHSS budget.
8. Statement of Alan Toy regarding the Department of Public Social Services' budget and In-Home Supportive Services' budget and the increase in caseload each social worker will have if staff cuts are implemented.
9. Statement of Shirley Carter, Eligibility Worker with the Department of Public Social Services regarding the impact budget cuts will have on the lives of the employees and the clients they serve.

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07-06-95.3 MORNING SESSION (Continued)

07-06-95.3.1 2-B (Continued)

10. Statement of Carlos Perez-Carillo, Eligibility Worker with the Department of Public Social Services regarding proposed layoffs of employees which could increase the current caseload of 357 cases per social worker to over 800 cases per social worker; and

concerned with the safety of the offices if the clients are forced to camp outside the offices to be assured of being served.

11. Statement of Charles Medlin, Welfare Investigator, regarding the impact cuts in the Department of Public Social Services' budget will have on completing welfare investigations, and requesting the Board to pass a motion to stop all notices and threats of layoffs until a final budget has been adopted by the State.
12. Statement of Charles Medlin, Welfare Investigator, regarding Statement of Mila P. Allison regarding alleged fraud in the Department of Public Social Services.
13. Statement of Alan Clayton, Los Angeles County Chicano Employees Association regarding his opposition to layoff notices going out to employees and requesting the Board to look at the sale and lease of County assets as an alternative to balance the budget; and also asking that the Board hold community meetings in each Supervisorial District to seek assistance in appealing to Sacramento.
14. Statement of Aurora Castillo, Mothers of East Los Angeles, regarding her opposition to the proposed closure of LAC+USC Medical Center.
15. Statement of Carl Walker, Department of Public Social Services, who presented the a proposal to form a Los Angeles County Mass Choir as a method to generate revenue for the Department.
16. Statements of L. Gilbert Aguilar and Leland Brown regarding the overall proposed budget and requesting the Board to consider the citizens of Los Angeles County when imposing reductions in County services.

The Board in order to allow timely consideration in the Special Legislative Session called to address the problems of California Counties, made a finding that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), and on motion of Supervisor Molina took the following actions:

- a. Instructed the County's Legislative Advocates to seek legislation, and any necessary administrative waivers, to amend the process by which the California Department of Social Services' Disability Evaluation Division conducts the reconsideration process for denied SSI applicants to:
 1. Include a hearing with the right to representation by applicants seeking to prove their status as permanently disabled;
 2. Ensure that the criteria used in the determination is applied in the same manner as now applied in the hearing process conducted by the Social Security Administration's Administrative Law Judge hearing process; and
 3. Establish a method of monitoring the DED evaluation process to reduce the need for time consuming and costly appeals to the Social Security Administration; and
- b. Instructed the County's Legislative Advocates to work with the Director of Public Social Services to seek a waiver from the State for the County match on State and Federal revenue to enable the Department to draw down significant revenue and thus allow the Department to maintain critical services.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

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The meeting recessed at 12:23 p.m. following Board Order No. 3-B until 2:00 p.m. Present were Supervisors Burke, Yaroslavsky, Dana, Antonovich and Molina, Chair presiding.

Open Session reconvened at 2:25 p.m. Present were Supervisors Burke, Yaroslavsky, Dana, Antonovich and Molina, Chair presiding.

07-06-95.4 AFTERNOON SESSION

07-06-95.4.1 5-B

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and statements relating to the proposed 1995-96 County Budget as follows:

1. Statements of Nancy Au, President of Asian Pacific Planning Council, Saustino Bacilig, World War II Veteran, Jennifer Kim, Korean Community Worker, David Bow Woo, President, Asian American Economic Development Project, Leo Pandac, Pilipino American Network and Advocacy, Heng Foong, Pacific Asian Language Services, Eric Phan, Asian Youth Center, and Jason Nawa, East West Community Partnership, regarding the impact budget cuts will have on the Asian Pacific Community with respect to health services, senior citizens services, HIV/AIDS services, alcohol and drug services, child care, and services for legal immigrants and naturalized citizens; also support for implementing a tippler's tax and other creative revenue raising measures to maintain County services.
2. Statements of Betty Fisher, Haven Hills, San Fernando Valley, and Scott Gordon, Co-Chair of the Domestic Violence Council, regarding maintaining funding in the budget for the Domestic Violence

Council.

3. Statement of Linda Lewis, Association of Children's Services Agencies regarding the importance of the Department of Children and Family Services' programs and requesting the Board to continue the critical funding to meet the needs of children and families in Los Angeles County.
4. Statement of Will B. King regarding the management of County government.

Meeting adjourned (Following Board Order No. 5-B).
The Budget Hearings were continued to Friday,
July 7, 1995, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Next regular
meeting of the Board: Tuesday morning,
July 11, 1995, at 9:30 o'clock a.m.

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the adjourned regular meeting of Wednesday, July 5, 1995 held on Thursday, July 6, 1995, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

JOANNE STURGES
Executive

of the Board of

Officer-Clerk
Supervisors

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Board Operations

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